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In re the Application of: **Nobutaka YAMAMOTO et al.**

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For: **METHOD FOR CULTURING CELL AND A CULTURE VESSEL**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 24, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002 for one month from January 22, 2003, to February 22, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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